RESOLUTION NO. 20081218-018

WHEREAS, Fire Captain John Butz was critically injured while battling an apartment fire on January 5, 2000; and

WHEREAS, The Civil Service Act provides for leave of up to one year for firefighters injured in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, The Civil Service Act authorizes a municipality's governing body to extend the injury leave at full pay for one year; and

WHEREAS, Butz received a year of leave to recover from his injuries and, in addition, he received an extension of that leave that was authorized by Council on December 7, 2000; and

WHEREAS, in March 2001, Butz returned to full duty and was promoted to the rank of Battalion Chief; and

WHEREAS, Battalion Chief Butz has enjoyed relatively good health until recently, but is now suffering from health problems related to his January 2000 injury; and

WHEREAS, An additional one year extension on Butz's leave as authorized by Ch. 143.073 of the Civil Service Act is appropriate while he continues to deal with health problems related to his January 2000 injury; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the injury leave provided to Battalion Chief Butz under Section 143.073 of the Texas Local Government Code is hereby extended. The current extension shall cover additional periods of leave necessary because of the injury Battalion Chief Butz sustained on January 5, 2000 for up to a maximum of one year of additional leave.

ADOPTED: December 18, 2008

ATTEST:

Shirley A. Gentry

City Clerk